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This summary of the plant-quarantine import restrictions of the Irish Free State has been prepared for the information of nurserymen, plant-quarantine officials, and others interested in the exportation of plants and plant products to that country. This information was previously included in Circular P. Q. C. A.-327; however, since the plant-quarantine restrictions of Great Britain have been recently revised, whereas those of the Irish Free State have not, and, since the Irish Free State is not a part of the United Kingdom, it was deemed desirable to publish this summary separately.

It was prepared by Harry B. Shaw, Plant Quarantine Inspector in Charge of Foreign Information Service, Division of Foreign Plant Quarantine, from the text of the Destructive Insects and Pests (Ireland) Order, 1922, and subsequent plant-quarantine orders and was reviewed by the Department of Agriculture of the Irish Free State.

The information contained in this circular is believed to be correct and complete up to the time of preparation, but it is not intended to be used independently of, nor as a substitute for, the original texts, and it is not to be interpreted as legally authoritative. The quarantines themselves should be consulted for the exact texts.

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OF THE
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BASIC LEGISLATION

Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1877 to 1929

SUMMARY

Importation Prohibited

ELM TREES (Ulmus spp.) from any country outside of Ireland, to prevent the introduction of the Dutch elm disease, Graphium ulmi (Ceratostomella ulmi (Schwartz) Buisman) and Micrococcus ulmi. (Order of Feb. 1, 1929, p. 8.)

Importation Restricted

Certification Required

- (a) All living plants with a persistent woody stem above ground, and parts thereof, except seeds, for propagation;
- (b) Potatoes; and all tubers, bulbs, rhizomes, corms, and hop stocks for planting;
- (c) Seeds of onions and of leeks for sowing;
- (d) Gooseberries;
- (e) Chrysanthemums; Rooted and unrooted cuttings;
- (f) Raw apples from the United States;
- (g) Vegetables and tomatoes, and living plants other than those indicated in items (a) and (b), except potatoes.

For details on the certification of items (a) to (e) see the Third Schedule (pp. 4 and 5). The original certificates should be

mailed to the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Dublin, C. 17 (Runai, An Roinn Talmhaiochta, Baile Atha Cliath, M. 17, Saorstat Eireann). A model of the certificate required for item (f) is furnished on p. 5; this certificate should accompany the consignment concerned and be delivered to an officer of Customs and Excise on arrival.

The Colorado Beetle Order of November 30, 1931, prescribes that the products included in item (g), originating in any country other than European France, shall be accompanied by two copy certificates in the form indicated in the Third Schedule, issued by a duly authorized official, or by a certificate of origin visaed by a local authority.

Importation Unrestricted

Seeds and fresh fruits, other than those above mentioned

REGULATIONS UNDER THE DESTRUCTIVE INSECTS
AND PESTS (IRELAND) ORDER, 1922

Article 1. This order shall come into operation December 4, 1922.

Definitions

Art. 2. "Department" means the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland.

"Plant", where the context permits, includes tree and shrub, and the fruit, seeds, tubers, bulbs, layers, cuttings, or any other parts of a plant.

"Landing" includes importation by mail.

Restriction on Importation of Plants

Art. 3. (1) The landing in the Irish Free State from any country other than Great Britain and the Channel Islands of any of the plants mentioned in the First Schedule to this Order is prohibited except in accordance with the regulations set out in the Third Schedule.

(2) The importer of any plant the landing of which is regulated

by this article shall comply with the regulations set out in the Third Schedule.

(3) This article shall not apply to any plant the landing of which is authorized by a general license issued by the Department, or by a special license issued by an inspector or other authorized person, or to a consignment of a plant to the Department for experimental or scientific purposes.

Arts. 4 to 12 of the order relate to internal and administrative matters.

FIRST SCHEDULE

(a) All living plants with a persistent woody stem above ground, and parts of the same, except seeds, when for use in propagation, such as fruit trees, stocks and stools, forest trees, and ornamental shrubs and grafts, layers, and cuttings thereof.

(b) All potatoes, and all tubers, bulbs, rhizomes, corms, and hop stocks for planting.

(c) Seeds of onions and of leeks for sowing.

(d) Gooseberries, bushes and fruit.

(e) Unrooted cuttings and rooted plants of chrysanthemums
(Amendment of Nov. 27, 1927).

SECOND SCHEDULE

Fungi

Black knot of plum and cherry, Plowrightia morbosa (Schw.) Sacc.

Fire or pear blight, Bacillus amylovorus Trev.

Chestnut canker, Endothia parasitica (Murr.) And. & And.

Potato wart disease, Synchytrium endobioticum (Schilb.) Perc.
Onion and leek smut, Urocystis cepulae Frost.

Downy mildew of hops, Pseudoperonospora (Peronoplasmodora)
humuli Miy. & Tak.

Insects

Grape phylloxera, Phylloxera (vastatrix) vitifoliae Fitch.

Apple red bug, Lygidea mendax Reut.

Dark apple red bug, Heterocordylus malinus Reut.

Pear tingid, Stephanitis pyri Fab.

Colorado potato beetle, Leptinotarsa decemlineata Say.

Insects (Cont'd.)

Plum curculio, Conotrachelus nemuphar Hbst.
Potato tuber worm, (Phthorimaea) Gnorimoschema operculella Zell.
Eastern tent caterpillar, Malacosoma americana Fab.
Forest tent caterpillar, Malacosoma disstria Hbn.
Oriental fruit moth (Cydia) Grapholitha molesta Busck.
San Jose scale, Aspidiotus perniciosus Comst.
White peach scale (Diaspis) Aulacaspis pentagona Targ.
Apple maggot, Rhagoletis pomonella Walsh.
Cherry fruit fly, Rhagoletis cerasi L.
European cherry fruit fly, Rhagoletis cingulata Loew.
Black cherry fruit fly, Rhagoletis fausta O. S.
Currant fruit fly, Epochra canadensis Loew.
Chrysanthemum gall midge, Dianthronomyia hypogaea Loew.
(Amendment of Nov. 24, 1927.)

THIRD SCHEDULE

REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE IMPORTATION OF PLANTS INTO
THE IRISH FREE STATE

1. The restrictions on landing imposed by the order and these regulations do not apply to plants the landing of which is authorized by a general license issued by the Department or by a special license issued by an inspector or other authorized person, or to consignments of plants to the Department for experimental or scientific purposes.

Inspection and Certification Required .

2. (a) In the case of an importation of plants otherwise than by mail from a country whose plant inspection service is recognized for the time being, each consignment must be accompanied by two copies of a certificate issued after inspection, and not more than 14 days prior to the date of shipment, by a duly authorized official of the country whence the plants are exported, in the form prescribed below. One copy of the certificate must be produced to the customs officer at the port of entry, and the other copy must be forwarded by the importer to the consignee. In the case of consignments imported by mail, a copy of the prescribed certificate need not be produced to the customs officer, but a copy must be affixed to each package.

The original of the certificate must be mailed by the exporter, before the plants are shipped, to the Secretary, Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, Dublin, C. 17, Irish Free

State (Runai, An Roinn Talmhaischta, Baile Atha Cliath, M. 17, Saorstat Eireann).

Certificate of Examination of Plants

No. _____

This is to certify that the plants included in the package or consignment described below were thoroughly inspected by
(name) , a duly authorized official of (name of inspection service) , on (date) and were found or believed by him to be healthy and free from any of the plant diseases or pests named in the Second Schedule.

Additional Certificate for Potatoes

Further, it is hereby certified that no case of the disease known as potato wart, Synchytrium endobioticum (Schilb.) Pers. has occurred on the farm or holding where the potatoes included in this consignment were grown, nor within 500 yards (approximately 0.5 km) thereof.

Signed _____

Official title _____

Description of Shipment

(To be supplied by the Shipper)

Number and description of packages

Marks

Description of plants

Grown at

Name and address of exporter

Name and address of consignee

Name of vessel

Date of shipment

Port of shipment

Port of landing in the Irish Free State

Approximate date of landing

Signed _____
(Shipper's signature)

(b) Any imported plants which on inspection are found to be unhealthy or attacked by any insect or pest mentioned in the Second Schedule, and which, in the judgment of the inspector or other authorized person, cannot be cleaned by disinfection or other treatment shall, with packing and package, either be destroyed or returned to the country of exportation by the importer.

SPECIAL QUARANTINES

IMPORTATION PROHIBITED POTATOES AND GOOSEBERRY AND Currant BUSHES EXCEPT UNDER LICENSE AND INSPECTION CERTIFICATE

Prior to the promulgation of the Order of 1922, the landing in Ireland of potatoes or of gooseberry or currant bushes was prohibited save in cases in which the consignee in Ireland obtained a license from the Department authorizing the landing of the consignment. This restriction applied to the importation of such plants from Great Britain, as well as from other countries, and has been continued in force under the order of 1922 so far as relates to any part of Ireland within the jurisdiction of the Irish Free State Government. The Department has issued a general license permitting the importation of "new" potatoes, that is, potatoes landed before May 16 of the year in which they were lifted. Consequently, the consignee is not required at present to obtain a license for the importation of such potatoes, but if imported from places outside of Great Britain and the Channel Islands these potatoes must be accompanied by the certificate required under the order. As regards all other potatoes, as well as gooseberry and currant bushes, not only must the consignments be accompanied by the prescribed certificate, but the consignee must obtain beforehand a license from the Department in respect of each consignment, authorizing its importation. Exporters, therefore, are advised not to forward potatoes, with the exception above referred to, or gooseberry or currant bushes, to any part of Ireland within the jurisdiction of the Irish Free State Government, without first assuring themselves that the requisite license has been obtained by the consignee.

GRADE CERTIFICATE MUST ACCOMPANY RAW APPLES GROWN IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

(Importation of Raw Apples Order of Aug. 23, 1930)

To prevent the introduction of the apple maggot, Rhagoletis pomonella Walsh, the importation into the Irish Free State between July 7 and November 15 of each year, of any raw apples grown in the

United States of America is hereby prohibited unless each consignment is accompanied by a certificate signed by a duly authorized inspector of the Federal Department of Agriculture in the form set out in the Schedule hereto.

The certificate shall be delivered to an officer of Customs and Excise at the same time as and together with the entry relating to the consignment.

In the absence of the certificate such potatoes shall be forthwith destroyed by and at the expense of the importer unless they are re-exported or are disposed of in accordance with the terms of a license issued by an inspector.

SCHEDULE

Certificate to Accompany Raw Apples Grown in the United States and Imported into the Irish Free State between July 7 and November 15.

This is to certify that the raw apples included in the package or consignment described below are of one of the following grades as recognized by the United States of North America:

For barrel apples

"U. S. Fancy."
"U. S. No. 1."

For boxed apples

"Extra Fancy."
"Fancy."

Signature
Official Status
Date

Description of Consignment

Number and nature of packages
Distinguishing marks
Variety of apples
Name and address of consignee
Name of vessel
Date of shipment
Port of shipment

IMPORTATION OF ELM TREES PROHIBITED

(Order of Feb. 1, 1929)

To prevent the introduction of pests of elm trees, including the Dutch elm disease, Graphium ulmi (Ceratostomella ulmi (Schwartz) Buisman) and Micrococcus ulmi, the importation into the Irish Free State from all other countries is prohibited.

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